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In Re: Patent Term Extension

Application for

U.S. Patent No. 6,235,030

Dear Mr. Owen:

A certificate under 35 U.S.C. § 156 is enclosed extending the term of U.S. Patent No. 6,235,030 for a period of 1053. While a courtesy copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), you should directly correspond with the FDA regarding any required changes to patent expiration dates.

Inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned by telephone at (571) 272-7755, or by e-mail at mary.till@uspto.gov.

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Food and Drug Administration

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RE:

X-STOP® Interspinous

Process Decompression

System

FDA Docket No.: 2006E-0259

Attention: Beverly Friedman

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(12) CERTIFICATE EXTENDING PATENT TERM UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 156

(68) PATENT NO. : 6,235,030

(45) ISSUED : May 22, 2001

(75) INVENTOR : James F. Zucherman et al.

(73) PATENT OWNER : Kyphon Sarl

(95) PRODUCT : X-STOP® Interspinous Process

Decompression System

This is to certify that an application under 35 U.S.C. § 156 has been filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, requesting extension of the term of U.S. Patent No. 6,235,030 based upon the regulatory review of the product X-STOP® Interspinous Process Decompression System by the Food and Drug Administration. Since it appears that the requirements of the law have been met, this certificate extends the term of the patent for the period of

(94) 1,053 days

from January 2, 2017, the original expiration date of the patent, subject to the payment of maintenance fees as provided by law, with all rights pertaining thereto as provided by 35 U.S.C. § 156(b).



I have caused the seal of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to be affixed this <u>16th day</u> of <u>June</u> <u>2008</u>.

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Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office